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Application No.: Not Yet Assigned ) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
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For: National Stage of International )  
Application No. )  
PCT/EP2003/006580 )  
under 35 U.S.C. 371 )  
Title: FUEL CELL INCORPORATING A )  
POLYMER ELECTROLYTE )  
MEMBRANE GRAFTED BY )  
IRRADIATION )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Before examining this application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this amendment.

An abstract is provided on page 10 of this amendment and as a separate page enclosed herewith.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this amendment.